CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

5   1. A method for enabling a forwarding of only selected
incoming telephone calls from a first number to a second
number, said method comprising:

identifying selected phone numbers for incoming telephone
10   calls which a user wishes to have forwarded from said first
number to said second number; and

transferring only incoming telephone calls from said
identified selected phone numbers from said first number to
15   said second number.

2. The method as set forth in claim 1 wherein incoming phone
calls from phone numbers other than said selected phone
numbers are processed by a default process.
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3. The method as set forth in claim 2 wherein said default
process is a voice mail system.

4. The method as set forth in claim 1 wherein said
25   transferring is accomplished by a server device.

5. The method as set forth in claim 4 wherein said
identifying is accomplished by a user remote from said
server device.

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6. The method as set forth in claim 5 wherein said identifying is accomplished by a user inputting said selected phone numbers into a user device and sending said selected phone numbers from said user device to said server

5   device.

7. The method as set forth in claim 5 wherein said identifying is accomplished by a user relative to a selection menu displayed on said user device.

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8. The method as set forth in claim 7 wherein said selection menu is stored in said user device.

9. The method as set forth in claim 7 wherein said selection

15   menu is stored in said server device, said server device being selectively operable to effect a presentation of said selection menu on said user device.

10. The method as set forth in claim 1 wherein said selected

20   phone numbers are selected from a file containing phone numbers and names associated with said phone numbers.

11. The method as set forth in claim 10 wherein said selected phone numbers are determined by designating only

25   selected ones of said phone numbers in said file.

12. The method as set forth in claim 5 wherein said user device is a wireless device.

30   13. The method as set forth in claim 5 wherein said user device includes input means for enabling said user to input said selected phone numbers.

14. The method as set forth in claim 5 wherein said user device is a cell phone.

15. The method as set forth in claim 5 wherein said user
5 device is a two-way pager device.

16. The method as set forth in claim 5 wherein said user device is a computer device.

10 17. The method as set forth in claim 5 wherein said user device is a laptop computer.

18. A storage medium including machine readable coded indicia, said storage medium being selectively coupled
15 through a reading device to processing circuitry within a computing system, said computing system being arranged to receive and re-direct incoming telephone calls, said reading device being selectively operable to read said machine readable coded indicia and provide program signals
20 representative thereof, said program signals being effective to enable a forwarding of only selected ones of said incoming telephone calls from a first number to a second number, said program signals being further effective to accomplish the steps of:
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identifying selected phone numbers for incoming telephone calls which a user wishes to have forwarded from said first number to said second number; and

30 transferring only incoming telephone calls from said identified selected phone numbers from said first number to said second number.

19. The medium as set forth in claim 18 wherein incoming phone calls from phone numbers other than said selected phone numbers are processed by a default process.

5   20. The medium as set forth in claim 19 wherein said default process is a voice mail system.

21. The medium as set forth in claim 18 wherein said transferring is accomplished by a server device.

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22. The medium as set forth in claim 21 wherein said identifying is accomplished by a user remote from said server device.

15   23. The medium as set forth in claim 22 wherein said identifying is accomplished by a user inputting said selected phone numbers into a user device and sending said selected phone numbers from said user device to said server device.

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24. The medium as set forth in claim 22 wherein said identifying is accomplished by a user relative to a selection menu displayed on said user device.

25   25. The medium as set forth in claim 24 wherein said selection menu is stored in said user device.

26. The medium as set forth in claim 24 wherein said selection menu is stored in said server device, said server
30   device being selectively operable to effect a presentation of said selection menu on said user device.

27. The medium as set forth in claim 18 wherein said selected phone numbers are selected from a file containing phone numbers and names associated with said phone numbers.

5   28. The medium as set forth in claim 27 wherein said selected phone numbers are determined by designating only selected ones of said phone numbers in said file.

29. A processing system including a system bus, and a
10   processor, a memory system, and a network interface, all coupled to said system bus, said processing system being arranged to receive and re-direct incoming telephone calls, said processing system being operable to enable a forwarding of only selected ones of said incoming telephone calls from
15   a first number to a second number by enabling a user of a user device to identify selected phone numbers for incoming telephone calls which said user wishes to have forwarded from said first number to said second number, said processing system being further selectively operable for
20   transferring only incoming telephone calls from said identified selected phone numbers from said first number to said second number.

30. The processing system as set forth in claim 29 wherein
25   said user device is a wireless device.

31. The processing system as set forth in claim 29 wherein said user device includes input means for enabling said user to input said selected phone numbers.

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32. The processing system as set forth in claim 29 wherein said user device is a cell phone.

33. The processing system as set forth in claim 29 wherein said user device is a two-way pager device.

34. The processing system as set forth in claim 29 wherein said user device is a computer device.

35. The processing system as set forth in claim 29 wherein said user device is a laptop computer.